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Interview Summary

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Applicant(s)

FISCHER ET AL.

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Sarah B. McPartlin

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All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

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Date of Interview: 18 July 2008.

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference

c) ☐ Personal (copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☐ No.

If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: 6.

Identification of prior art discussed: Baumann et al.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Mr. Marsafian proposed several claim amendments. The claim amendments appear to overcome the Baumann et al. reference and the other prior art of record. The Examiner will need to update her search prior to allowance.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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/Sarah B. McPartlin/

Primary Examiner, Art Unit 3636

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